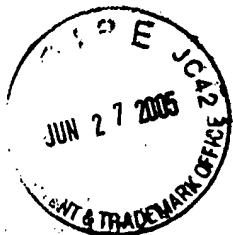


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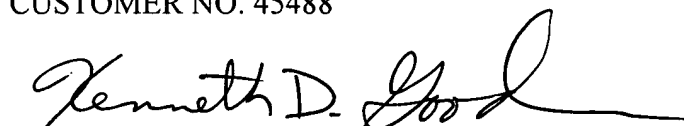
  
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The undersigned, being Assignee of record of the entire interest in the patents and applications listed in the attached Exhibit A by virtue of an assignment recorded in the United States Patent and Trademark Office as set forth below, hereby elects, under 37 C.F.R. § 3.71, to prosecute the application to the exclusion of the inventor(s).

**The Assignee hereby revokes any previous Powers of Attorney and appoints the practitioners at CUSTOMER NUMBER 45488.**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 3.73, the undersigned has reviewed the evidentiary documents, specifically the Assignment to ZIMMER ORTHOBIOLOGICS, INC., referenced below, and certifies that to the best of his knowledge and belief, title remains in the name of the Assignee.

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Date: June 9, 2005

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